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Idaho Milk Production Up 7.2 Percent

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Idaho milk production during November 2010 totaled 1.05 billion pounds, a 7.2 percent increase from the same month last year, but down 4.7 percent from October 2010. October 2010 milk production was revised to 1.10 billion pounds, up 13 million pounds from the preliminary level. Average milk production per cow in November 2010 was 1,840 pounds, up 50 pounds from November 2009. The average number of milk cows during November was 572,000 head, up 24,000 from November 2009 but unchanged from October 2010.

Milk production in the 23 major States during November totaled 14.4 billion pounds, up 3.1 percent from November 2009. October production, unrevised at 14.8 billion pounds, was up 3.3 percent from October 2009. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,722 pounds for November, 41 pounds above November 2009. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.37 million head, 57,000 head more than November 2009, but unchanged from October 2010.

Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, November 2009-2010

State	Milk Cows ^{1/}		Milk Per Cow ^{2/}		Milk Production ^{2/}		Change From 2009
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	168	182	1,840	1,845	309	336	8.7
California	1,765	1,750	1,775	1,870	3,133	3,273	4.5
Colorado	116	122	1,860	1,905	216	232	7.4
Florida	113	113	1,360	1,370	154	155	0.6
Idaho	548	572	1,790	1,840	981	1,052	7.2
Illinois	101	98	1,510	1,550	153	152	-0.7
Indiana	169	169	1,610	1,640	272	277	1.8
Iowa	215	204	1,670	1,700	359	347	-3.3
Kansas	113	121	1,725	1,730	195	209	7.2
Michigan	354	360	1,805	1,830	639	659	3.1
Minnesota	469	470	1,545	1,520	725	714	-1.5
Missouri	105	96	1,170	1,180	123	113	-8.1
New Mexico	317	319	1,970	1,995	624	636	1.9
New York	611	611	1,605	1,680	981	1,026	4.6
Ohio	274	270	1,510	1,560	414	421	1.7
Oregon	114	121	1,560	1,595	178	193	8.4
Pennsylvania	538	541	1,560	1,600	839	866	3.2
Texas	413	415	1,710	1,750	706	726	2.8
Utah	83	85	1,740	1,720	144	146	1.4
Vermont	134	138	1,460	1,470	196	203	3.6
Virginia	95	95	1,455	1,440	138	137	-0.7
Washington	241	254	1,865	1,875	449	476	6.0
Wisconsin	1,258	1,265	1,630	1,630	2,051	2,062	0.5
23 State Total	8,314	8,371	1,681	1,722	13,979	14,411	3.1

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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Idaho Cattle on Feed Up 10 Percent from Previous Year

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on December 1, 2010 totaled 230,000 head, up 10 percent from the previous year. The cattle on feed inventory is up 7 percent from November 1, 2010. Placements of cattle in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during November totaled 52,000 head, up 8,000 head from November 2009 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during November totaled 35,000 head, down 8,000 head from the same month a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 2,000 head during November.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.6 million head on December 1, 2010. The inventory was 3 percent above December 1, 2009. Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.96 million, 6 percent above 2009. Net placements were 1.90 million head. During November, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 625,000, 600-699 pounds were 590,000, 700-799 pounds were 373,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 370,000. Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 1.77 million, 9 percent above 2009. Other disappearance totaled 62,000 during November, 6 percent below 2009.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots¹

State	December 1, 2009	November 1, 2010	December 1, 2010		
			Number	As % of 2009	As % of November
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	282	251	249	88	99
California	465	460	470	101	102
Colorado	1,060	1,090	1,090	103	100
Idaho	210	215	230	110	107
Iowa	560	610	630	113	103
Kansas	2,330	2,400	2,360	101	98
Nebraska	2,410	2,420	2,460	102	102
Oklahoma	375	385	380	101	99
South Dakota	235	230	255	109	111
Texas	2,760	2,820	2,840	103	101
Washington	172	192	208	121	108
Other States	418	414	437	105	106
United States	11,277	11,487	11,609	103	101

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

U.S. Frozen Potato and Dairy Product Stocks

Frozen stocks of French fries in the United States on November 30, 2010, totaled 914 million pounds, up slightly from October 31, 2010, and up 2 percent from November 30, 2009. Other frozen potatoes, at 214 million pounds, were up 2 percent from October stocks and slightly up from last year.

United States stocks of butter on November 30, 2010, totaled 70 million pounds, down 36 percent from the end of the previous month, and down 51 percent from November 30, 2009. Stocks of American cheese totaled 626 million pounds, down 2 percent from October 31, 2010, but up 7 percent from last year.

Commodity	Nov. 30, 2009	Oct. 31, 2010	Nov. 30, 2010	2010
				2009
POTATOES:	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>
French Fries	894,220	912,610	913,558	102
Other Frozen	213,850	210,310	214,165	100
TOTAL	1,108,070	1,122,920	1,127,723	102
DAIRY:				
Butter, Total	142,661	108,809	70,023	49
Natural Cheese				
American, Total	583,056	638,911	625,637	107

Idaho November Red Meat Production Up 6 Percent from Last Year

Commercial red meat production at Idaho packing plants for November 2010 totaled 18.8 million pounds, up 6 percent from November of last year. Accumulated red meat production for the January-November 2010 period totaled 189.2 million pounds, down 10 percent from the comparable period a year earlier.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.33 billion pounds in November, up 9 percent from the 3.96 billion pounds produced in November 2009. Beef production, at 2.24 billion pounds, was 11 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.88 million head, up 11 percent from November 2009. The average live weight was up 1 pound from the previous year, at 1,299 pounds. Veal production totaled 11.3 million pounds, 4 percent below November a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 72,900 head, down 10 percent from November 2009. The average live weight was up 23 pounds from last year, at 269 pounds. Pork production totaled 2.07 billion pounds, up 8 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 9.97 million head, up 5 percent from November 2009. The average live weight was up 6 pounds from the previous year, at 278 pounds. Lamb and mutton production, at 14.3 million pounds, was down slightly from November 2009. Sheep slaughter totaled 218,000 head, 1 percent below last year. The average live weight was 131 pounds, unchanged from November a year ago. January to November 2010 commercial red meat production was 44.7 billion pounds, down 1 percent from 2009. Accumulated beef production was up 1 percent from last year, veal was down 2 percent, pork was down 3 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 4 percent.

Commercial Red Meat Production, Selected States and United States ^{1/}

State	November 2009	October 2010	November 2010	November 2010 as % of 2009 ^{2/}
	<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>	
California	137.0	142.6	148.1	108
Colorado	151.1	174.2	171.1	113
Idaho	17.7	17.8	18.8	106
Illinois	230.0	253.0	249.4	108
Iowa	577.2	579.2	593.6	103
Kansas	404.3	444.9	456.1	113
Minnesota	218.9	246.6	249.3	114
Montana	2.1	2.2	2.0	97
Nebraska	578.7	631.6	634.5	110
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	118
Oklahoma	91.6	98.5	102.6	112
Oregon	5.0	5.2	5.4	108
South Dakota	75.1	88.8	98.6	131
Texas	374.8	427.6	417.5	111
Utah	33.1	39.8	36.3	110
Washington	65.2	78.3	72.9	112
Wyoming	0.5	0.2	0.5	99
United States	3,964.0	4,265.2	4,329.2	109

1/ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.

2/ Totals and percentages based on unrounded data.

Commercial Red Meat Production: United States ^{1/}

[Totals, accumulated totals, and percentages based on unrounded data.]

Type	November 2009	October 2010	November 2010	Nov 2010 As Percent of	
				Nov 2009	Oct 2010
	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Beef	2,016.1	2,237.8	2,235.7	111	100
Veal	11.7	11.4	11.3	96	100
Pork	1,921.7	2,002.9	2,067.8	108	103
Lamb & Mutton	14.3	13.1	14.3	100	109
Total Red Meat ^{2/}	3,964.0	4,265.2	4,329.2	109	102

1 Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

Hog Inventory

Idaho and Washington combined hog inventory on December 1, 2010 was 61,000 head, up 3 percent from the previous December 1 inventory. Idaho and Washington hog inventory was combined to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. Breeding hog inventory for Idaho and Washington combined, at 12,000 head, is unchanged from last year. Market hogs increased 2,000 head to 49,000 head for Idaho and Washington combined. An estimated 18,200 sows farrowed during the past year with an average litter size of 8.85 pigs. The total pig crop of 161,000 head was up 23 percent from the previous year.

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2010 was 64.3 million head. This was down 1 percent from December 1, 2009, and down 2 percent from September 1, 2010. Breeding inventory, at 5.78 million head, was down 1 percent from last year, but up slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 58.5 million head, was down 1 percent from last year, and down 2 percent from last quarter. The September-November 2010 pig crop, at 28.2 million head, was down slightly from 2009. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.85 million head, down 2 percent from 2009. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 9.89 for the September-November 2010 period, compared to 9.70 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.70 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 10.00 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

Hogs and Pigs: Inventory Number by Class and Weight Group, United States, 2009-2010 ^{1/}

Item	2009	2010	2010 as a %
			2009
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
December 1 Inventory			
All Hogs & Pigs	64,887	64,325	99
Kept for Breeding	5,850	5,778	99
Market	59,037	58,547	99
Market Hogs and Pigs by Weight Groups			
Under 50 Pounds	18,705	18,564	99
50-119 Pounds	16,782	16,519	98
120-179 Pounds	12,299	12,208	99
180 Pounds and Over	11,252	11,256	100

1/ May not add due to rounding.